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employed. Is it better to do this, or to let the teachers and pupils continue to grope in darkness? The reviewer knows whereof he speaks; for he was brought up on precisely such books and methods, and never ceased wondering why all the medieval kings were smitten with the same madness for squandering their lands and powers on treacherous nobles, till he got into Lamprecht's Seminar. Must we continue to go to Germany for such simple facts of history?

This defect excepted, which some would doubtless not consider a defect, the book is worthy of all praise.

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### BOOKS RECEIVED.

[The notice here given does not preclude the publishing of a comprehensive review of any of these books.]

The Boy Problem—A Study in Social Pedagogy. By William Byron Forbush. Introduction by G. Stanley Hall. Size 5×7. Pp. 206. Price ——. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

This is an interesting contribution to a very important aspect of education and will be reviewed at length in a subsequent issue. An excellent bibliography is appended.

Advanced French Prose Composition. By Victor E. François, University of Michigan. Size 5×7. Pp. 292. Price 80 cents. New York: American Book Co.

This book is intended to be used two hours a week in the work of the second year in colleges and of the third and fourth years in high schools. It is the continuation of the *Introductory French Prose Composition*. The exercises are of continued prose, of interesting content, and the illustrations are certainly a refreshing innovation in a work on prose composition.

Mon Oncle et Mon Curé. Par Jean de la Brete. Edited for school use by Elizabeth M. White. Size 5×7. Pp. 222. Price 50 cents. New York: American Book Co.

This charming story has been somewhat abridged and adapted for school purposes, but in the revising process the story has not been injured. The annotations are judicious, and some exercises in composition based on the reading matter are added.

Les Malheurs de Sophie. By Madame la Comtesse de Ségur. Edited by Elizabeth M. White. Size 5×7. Pp. 76. Price 45 cents. Boston: D. C. Heath & Co.

This is for young children and may very well be used in the grammar grades where French has been introduced.

Vingt Mille Lieues sous les Mers. By Jules Verne. Edited by C. Fontaine. Size 4½×6½. Pp. 201. Price 40 cents. Boston: D. C. Heath & Co.

This standard book for boys ought to engage interest in our high-school classes in French.

A First Scientific French Reader. By B. L. Bowen, Ohio State University.  
Size 5×7. Pp. 288. Price 90 cents. Boston : D. C. Heath & Co.

This reader is intended for use in the technical schools and in the scientific courses in our universities. We have long felt the want of some such work, as doubtless we shall again when our commercial courses are established. The ordinary literary language will not avail for these technical pursuits.

Das Edle Blut, von Ernst von Wildenbruch. Edited by Charles A. Eggert.  
Size 5×7. Pp. 86. Price 30 cents. New York : American Book Co.

German Composition, with notes and vocabulary. By E. C. Wesselhoeft, University of Pennsylvania. Size 5×7. Pp. 77. Price——. Boston : D. C. Heath & Co.

A Spanish Grammar, with exercises. By M. Montrose Ramsey, Leland Stanford Junior University. Size 5×7½. Pp. 610. Price——. New York : Henry Holt & Co.

A comprehensive review will appear shortly.

Writing Latin. By John Edmund Barss. Size 5×7. Pp. 77. Price 50 cents. New York : University Publishing Co.

The author has combined many good features in very small space. He has abundance of easy sentences, he uses words that appear in Cæsar's *Gallie War* and he preserves the balance between the sentence given for the sake of illustrating an idiom and the sentence as a part of a bit of continuous prose. The explanations, while terse, are clear, and in the hands of a good teacher this ought to prove a very useful book in the work of the second year.

Select Orations and Letters of Cicero. Revised by J. B. Greenough and G. L. Kittredge, with a special vocabulary by J. B. Greenough. Size 5×7. Pp. 226. Price \$1.45. Boston : Ginn & Co.

This volume is intended to meet the needs of those teachers who prefer marked quantities and who wish to introduce their students to Cicero's *Letters*. A review will appear shortly.

A Latin Grammar for Schools. By Andrew Fleming West. Size 5×7½. Pp. 262. Price 90 cents. New York : D. Appleton & Co.

Mr. West says that this book is planned to give as much grammar as is serviceable in the school study of Latin. In this his ideal differs from that of many other authors of Latin grammars, and yet his defense is well made. We hope to publish an expert opinion on this important book.

The Teaching of History and Civics in the Elementary and the Secondary School. By Henry E. Bourne, Western Reserve University. Size 5×7½. Pp. 385. Price \$1.50. New York : Longmans, Green & Co.  
Reserved for review.

First Steps in the History of England. By Arthur May Mowry. Size 5½×7½. Pp. 324. Price 70 cents. New York : Silver, Burdett & Co.

This is a well printed, well illustrated, and interesting story of the men who have made England. The gorgeous binding might prejudice a person of quiet taste.

*Our Country's Story.* By Eva March Tappan. Size  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ . Pp. 267. Price 65 cents. Boston : Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

This is an elementary history of the United States, well illustrated and written in a very interesting manner, though at times there are expressions that seem to indicate that to interest children one must descend. It is more than doubtful if children appreciate such condescension in language. The account of the land campaign of 1812-13 receives the customary *line* and the naval campaign the usual pages.

*Training for Citizenship.* By Joseph Warren Smith. Size  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ . Pp. 345. Price 90 cents, net. Boston : Lothrop Publishing Co.

This is a wonderfully comprehensive work and will be reviewed at greater length. It is divided into five parts treating respectively of the home and the school government, the township and its government, the village and county government, the state government, and the national government. This book will fill a place in our high schools and will strengthen specially the commercial course.

*The Government—What it Is—What it Does.* By Salter Storrs Clark. Size  $5 \times 7$ . Pp. 304. Price ——. New York : American Book Co.

The meaning of government, its principal functions, self-government in the United States, officials and their duties, certain practical operations of government, a little law, list of the chief governments of the world, indicate the nature of this book.

*Graded Work in Arithmetic.* By S. W. Baird. Size  $5 \times 7$ . Pp. 159. Price 25 cents. New York : American Book Co.

The book begins with a review of the essential parts of the arithmetic taught in the previous years, and in the latter part acts as an introduction to algebra and mensuration.

*Atwood's Complete Graded Arithmetic.* By George E. Atwood. Grades III to VI, inclusive, now ready. Size  $5 \times 7$ . Pp. 160. Price 25 cents per grade. Boston : D. C. Heath & Co.

*Academic Algebra.* By Wooster Woodruff Beman, University of Michigan, and David Eugene Smith, Columbia University. Size  $5 \times 7$ . Pp. 383. Price \$1.25. Boston : Ginn & Co.

This work is intended to cover the subject of elementary algebra with sufficient thoroughness to prepare the student for college. The problems are very numerous and well graded. There is a minimum of theory and a maximum of practical work with problems.

*Observations and Exercises on the Weather.* By James A. Price, Fort Wayne High School. Size  $8 \times 10$ . Pp. 59. Price 30 cents. New York : American Book Co.

This is a useful supplement to the work in physical geography in our high schools. With this aid the observations, now too often taken at random, may be systematized and preserved.

*Elementary Physiology and Hygiene.* By Buel P. Colton, Illinois State Normal University. Size  $5 \times 7$ . Pp. 317. Price 60 cents. Boston : D. C. Heath & Co.

This is a condensation of the author's larger work, and is intended especially for

pupils in the grammar grades. The latter part contains many excellent suggestions in regard to treatment of persons who have been injured, the simple remedies to be applied, etc. It is a useful book in the schoolroom.

Elements of Physics, experimental and descriptive. By Amos T. Fisher, assisted by Melvin J. Patterson. Size 5×7. Pp. 184. Price 60 cents. Boston : D. C. Heath & Co.

This book is intended for young pupils, so the authors state, but the method of presentation seems not to be such as might enlist the interest of the natural boy. There is a very distinct resemblance to the books on physics which make no such announcement. The questions that are appended to each chapter seem to indicate that the teacher needs to be told what questions are to be asked so that the subject may be adequately covered.

Tarr and McMurry Geographies, supplementary volume, Ohio. By Stella S. Wilson, Central High School, Columbus, Ohio. Size 6×7. Pp. 100. Price 30 cents. New York : The Macmillan Co.

While this supplement is presumably for special circulation in Ohio, it will be useful as supplementary reading in other states because of the interesting details it contains. The work has been well done.

Essentials of Chemistry for Secondary Schools. By John C. Hessler and Albert L. Smith. Size 5½×7½. Pp. 540. Price \$1.20. Boston : Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.

The authors claim that this book has been written to meet the demand for a textbook of chemistry that shall contain "an adequate and scientific account of such of the fundamental facts, laws, and theories of the subject as are adapted to the needs of secondary schools and also *specific directions* for the laboratory work—directions that have been *tested* and found *practicable*." We hope to present a review of this book at another time.

Life and Health. By Albert F. Blaisdell. Size 5×7. Pp. 346. Price \$1.00. Boston : Ginn & Co.

This book is intended to serve as a textbook on physiology for high schools, academies, and normal schools. Hygiene is given a prominent place, first aid to the injured has an especially good chapter in that the directions to be followed in certain cases of fracture, etc., are illustrated, and the state requirements in regard to "alcoholic physiology" are complied with.

Elementary Physical Geography. By William Morris Davis, Harvard University. Size 5×7½. Pp. 401. Price \$1.40. Boston : Ginn & Co.

This is published no doubt in answer to the demand for some book a little simpler than the *Physical Geography* of the author. Mr. Davis's work was so far in advance of the ordinary teacher, who was just beginning to grow into this subject, that much of the good was wasted. How successful this new effort is we shall hope to determine by a review.

Animals at Home. By Lillian L. Bartlett. Size 5×7. Pp. 172. Price 45 cents. New York : American Book Co.

A useful supplementary book for the lower grades.